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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S COMMUNICATION

Dear Sir:

In response to an Examiner's Communication mailed 27, 2003 and further to the Response to Restriction February Requirement filed July 15, 2002 and the Preliminary Amendment filed December 15, 2001, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 12 to read as follows:

12. (twice-amended) A method of determining

individual of interest has a cysteine deficiency, comprising the steps

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